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Alabama Historical Commission awards Junior League of Mobile Distinguished Service Award

The Alabama Historical Commission (AHC) has awarded a 2009 Distinguished Service Award to the Junior League of Mobile for its efforts to organize and lead the Downtown Walking Tour. The Distinguished Service Award is awarded annually to individuals and groups whose contributions demonstrate excellence in historic preservation.

The tour takes elementary school children through the historic streets of downtown Mobile, and the Junior League provides guides for each tour. The tour passes notable landmarks such as Christ Church Cathedral, Phoenix Fire Museum, City Hall, and Fort Conde-Charlotte. Students learn about the history of existing downtown buildings, along with the history of buildings that are gone. The tour fosters an appreciation of historic preservation, and is supported through the efforts of Junior League volunteers.

The AHC presented the award on October 9 during this year's Alabama Preservation Conference in Auburn.

For more information about the Junior League, visit: www.juniorleaguemobile.org.

*To protect, preserve, and interpret Alabama's historic places is the mission of the **Alabama Historical Commission**, the **State Historic Preservation Office**.*

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